

## **Annotation**

The thesis is thematically aimed at the issue of impacts of selected respondents' membership in an informal group, it is oriented on the organization of children and youth leisure time, in particular; mostly in the form of long-term holiday stays in the wild. The work is focused mainly on questions, which role in selected members of the group is played by factors, such as family background, personality development, mental status, great experiences, personality of a group leader, interpersonal relationships in the group, environment in which the group forms, etc. The theoretical part shall seek to describe the issues of children and youth leisure time with an emphasis on sociological and psychological point of view. The practical part consists of monographic research and qualitative research. The aim of the monographic research is to describe by means of historical methods the development of group in time, based on social changes which during the existence of this group in the society happened. The aim of the qualitative research is to identify not only the effects of membership in the group to selected respondents, even also causes of these effects. The result of the qualitative research is to establish hypotheses; however, these hypotheses due to the nature of the research cannot be relevant to a larger population sample. The conclusion of this work stresses the role of the organization of children and youth leisure time in the contemporary society and highlights related to new challenges and risks. At the same time the work strives for disclosing new challenges, the society must deal with them.

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